

## LITTLE COLORED AMERICANS

The "lily-whites" are outside the political fold.

We believe there is another run in Grover Cleveland.

Money is the steam that moves every engine of progress.

Commissioner Henry L. West is starting out auspiciously.

President Roosevelt gave his colored constituents a special message.

The Crumpacker resolution should not be allowed to go down by default.

The Negro race, is in too many respects, the victim of its inordinate appetites.

Don't believe all you hear, for the "knocker" works overtime seven days in the week.

The District of Columbia, for once, seems to be free from a wrangle in the public schools.

The "black and tans" will have the cosiest seats in the next republican national convention.

Horace Greeley's advice still holds good. "Go west, young man, and grow up with the country."

Fakirs and charlatans contribute nothing to the substantial growth of the race. Send them hence.

Indiana and Fairbanks are in line for Roosevelt. The tall sycamore of White River is a safe counsellor.

Women who talk the loudest and longest at the mothers' meeting do not always rear the best children.

The surest way to make friends for a man, preacher, politician or whatnot, is to abuse him unnecessarily.

The "jim-crow" car will go—when Negroes begin to own stock in the railroads and sit on the board of directors.

Literaries cannot fulfill their mission if speakers who bear inspiring messages are refused a respectful hearing.

The friends of Charles Warren Fairbanks are not forgetting him. We have him in training for the 1904 meet.

That class of colored gentry who have thrived for a long time on their "wits" are experiencing a season of drouth.

Paymaster John R. Lynch is developing great popularity among the soldiers and citizens along the Nebraska frontier.

The marvelous success of the Armstrong Manual Training School here is a telling indorsement of industrial education.

In the art of knowing when it is his cue to talk, and when to hold his peace, John C. Dancy stands at the head of his class.

The Chicago Conservator has not been sold anew for several weeks. The triple Barnett-Wells-Rollins syndicate is still in control.

Young men who expect to find favor in the sight of right-thinking people do not improve their prospects by indulging in strong drink.

Hon. W. Lee Person, of North Carolina, is the weary custodian of some dark secrets relative to the senatorial election of some years ago.

The white man cannot prevent Negroes from trading among themselves—supplying the needs of the race as merchants and mechanics.

Try to make the holiday season a happy time for some one. You will find the keenest pleasure in catering to the enjoyment of others.

Mr. Grover Cleveland is sadly hampered by being a member of the democratic

party. Bad company has ruined has ruined many a good man and woman.

White republicans of the South should not permit the vote of one democrat to outweigh four of their own. Cut down southern representation in Congress.

North Carolina politicians are quite handy with the quill, judging from the spicy letters they are dashing off for the enlightenment of the anxious public.

We are glad to see the Negroes of Texas turning their attention to cotton mills and progressive manufacturing. Business is the black man's ark of safety.

A girl who is not self-supporting is an easy prey to temptation. Fine clothes and fine character never go hand in hand, except as the outcome of patient industry.

President Roosevelt, we are proud to say, realizes that he is not the president of any section, class, creed or color—but the President of all the people of the United States.

Suppose our esteemed contemporary, The Record, rises and tells what it knows about the rumored change in the pastorate of Metropolitan A. M. E. Church of this city.

If the democrats have sense enough to renominate Cleveland in 1904, the Negro voters could rest assured that whether he or Roosevelt won, the race would have a good friend in the White House.

We are all anxious to learn of the opportunities that await the Negro pioneers who will eventually break into our insular possessions. T. Thomas Fortune will live in history as the ambassador of the open door.

The Negro should be more largely represented as teachers and government agents in Cuba, Porto Rico, Hawaii and the Philippines. Their presence would be a potent factor in inspiring confidence among the natives in American professions of fair play.

The Gallinger Bill, providing suffrage for the District of Columbia and representation in Congress is a step in the right direction. There is not one cogent argument why it should not become a law. The people of Washington should be citizens—not subjects.

Postmaster-General Payne is eminently correct in his contention that it is too much of a good thing for husband and wife both to draw government salaries. Any husband in receipt of \$1,000 per annum can afford to have his wife stay at home and attend to her domestic duties.

Oklahoma and Indian Territory united would make a great and prosperous state. Arizona and New Mexico can wait. Let Oklahoma be admitted without delay. This would be a splendid field for young colored professional men who are now huddled up in the large cities of the country.

The rumor reaches us that Ben Tillman is not pleased with the remarks made by Mr. Cleveland at Philadelphia complimentary to Booker T. Washington and in advocacy of broader educational opportunities for the Negro. But, then, Mr. Cleveland always did have trouble in satisfying the said Tillman.

No, the race cannot hope to succeed by "mere political activity." Interest in politics is one of the agencies for elevation, but it is strong only in conjunction with intelligence, character and industry. Men who rely upon political scheming for a living make no deep impress upon their day and generation.

To permit teachers to serve in day and night schools at one and the same time is wrong from every point of view. An instructor that does his full duty during the day needs rest and diversion at night, and cannot handle another school with justice to the school and himself. Instead of putting a coterie of teachers on double commission, the District of Columbia would do better to draw on the services of the surplus graduates of our normal school.

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